

THE CENTENNIAL.

The "Centennial Board of Finance," of which John B. Drake is Director for Illinois, and Gen. H. S. Lansing General Agent, have issued a circular stating the nature and objects of the proposed exposition, and calling upon the people of Illinois for subscriptions to the stock of the enterprise. The amount of capital stock required is five millions of dollars, of which the citizens of Philadelphia have subscribed two millions. The remainder will have to be provided for at once by the states outside of Pennsylvania, which state has already appropriated a million of dollars to be used in the erection of buildings. The plan proposed by the board of finance is to issue stock shares, of the value of ten dollars each, and the assertion is made that the receipts from the sale of admission tickets, and the proceeds arising from the disposal of the buildings, etc., will aggregate a sum sufficient to reimburse the stockholders. This assertion does not seem to be in the least degree beyond the bounds of reasonable expectation, and the board appears justified in claiming that subscriptions to the stock should therefore be looked upon as an investment rather than a donation. We learn that a canvass of the state of Illinois will be made immediately by persons duly authorized, and it is to be hoped that the people of this great state, whose unexampled prosperity is the direct outgrowth of that mighty event which the centennial exposition is designed to commemorate, will respond liberally to the call made.

It is hardly necessary to enlarge upon the objects of this great family jubilee. The people of Illinois are no less remarkable for their intelligence than they are for their patriotism and enterprise, and any words of explanation concerning this proposed method of celebrating the close of the first century of our national existence would be on tirely superfluous. Every Illinoisian knows all about it, and every one will take an honest pride in making it a success.

Mr. BENJAMIN HOBART, of Abington, Massachusetts, claims the honor of being the oldest Fourth of July orator in the State. He is now ninety-four years of age, and tortured the bird of liberty in his native town seventy years ago. Mr. Hobart ought to live long enough to make a speech on the one hundredth anniversary of American Independence, and then he could die in peace. Mr. John E. Early, of Cambridge, is also another old timer. He delivered an oration on July 4th, 1822, in Boston.

The New York Legislature has before it a bill which provides that jurors on unusually protracted trials, shall be entitled to and receive extra compensation. This law of course, is calculated to cover the jury in the Brooklyn scandal case. The bill ought to pass, for if there is any set of men who ought to be well paid, it is the juryman who are compelled month after month to wade through the slush of the Brooklyn scandal mill.

REV. GEORGE F. TRASK, the great crusader against tobacco, was a self-made man. Born in Beverly, Mass., in 1797, of poor parents, he was put to work when a mere boy. Having commenced business as a hardware merchant in Marblehead, he accumulated a little money, and being desirous of obtaining an education, and of joining the ministry, entered upon a course of study at Brunswick and Andover Seminaries. He had passed middle life when he entered upon his tobacco crusade, and had reached 50 years of age when he set to work to put out the national pipe. He meant well, but we fear his exertions met with very poor return and he has apparently left no one behind to take up his mantle. The trouble with Mr. Trask, and with other well-meaning agitators, was that he carried his doctrine to the extreme point of being ridiculous. If a battle was lost, and the commanding general smoked, the oar did it, because General Grant smoked, Trask voted for Greeley. Dr. LANE, celebrated Scotch surgeon, and a warm conlred rate of Trask, wrote a pamphlet which he entitled "A frightful warning to Smokers, Chewers, and Pluggers." There were pictures of shocking looking tongues and lips, with all kind of dreadful things, but somehow none of the smokers seem to be much afflicted, so they smoked on. So far as we can judge from Mr. Trask's portrait, we are of opinion that a pipe would have done him a great deal of good.

THE SPELLING SCHOOL.

[From the Inter-Ocean.]
When this article shall see the light, the great contest will have ended. The spelling school will be out. Farwell Hall will be silent. Judge Booth will have returned to his solemn duties on the bench. Robert Collyer will be cogitating on to-morrow's sermon. Chesbrough will be trying to circumvent the Chicago river. Coolbaugh will be studying loans and discounts; in short, all of those eminent and respectable gentlemen who last night grappled, and wrestled, and struggled with headstrong and obstinate words, and were one after another laid out like cornstalks prostrated before a high wind, are to-day pursuing their usual callings as if nothing unusual had happened, and as if they had never in their lives stood up to be knocked down.

It was fun—there is no doubt of that—but it was not the old-fashioned spelling school after all. Most of them had been there, and knew how these matches were to be conducted. They didn't go to Farwell Hall in a sleigh filled with boys and girls and buffalo robes. But they used to go to spelling schools in that way. They can almost see the spavined horse on the off side who was very lame when they started, but who limbered up as he traveled, until he ambled along as cheerfully as a four year old colt. The wind whistled through his scanty tail like a breeze through an Aeolian harp, but the bells drowned the melancholy refrain, and the laughter of that jolly crowd had drowned the bells. The parties "chose up" when they reached the unpainted school-house on the corners, whose ancient clapboards had been worn into a soft and puffy gray by the beatings of the storm. Were you, dear reader, ever one of the persons called to that honorable duty? Was Angelina Turbow (why not call her name right out while we are about it?) another? Did you not take your place behind the short desk, at the head of the room, usually occupied by the teacher, and proceed to call your respective retainers? How was it at such a time? Did you choose Miss Williams to sit next you, though aware that you were weakening your side by doing so, and did Angelina select young Perkins for the same reason? Or did you both pursue the sensible way, and choose your assistants on account of their ability, not beauty? If so, perhaps it was Miss Plumb who took a seat next you. Ah, Miss Plumb! There was a speller for you! She would grab up cypripas as a Shanghai chicken would pick up a worm, and shake it to pieces before the teacher had fairly dropped the last syllable from his lips. Chronometer, hieroglyphics, each unation, and all those four and five-syllabled monstrosities were mere playthings to her. She laughed at them. She had a natural talent for hard words, and tossed incomprehensibly contemptuously over her shoulder before she was seven. But it was the small words that vanquished her. She generally went down on turnip, which she would persist in finishing with "up." It was sad to see this bright young intellect successfully tackle and conquer Kossisko and kaleidoscope, and then go down on ferule, or leiorice, or some such contemptible little thing. But the world is full of pitfalls, and it is not by falling over high precipices, so much as sinking into treacherous quicksands that we are lost.

However, spelling school is out. A frowzy-haired boy, very long in the body and very short in the legs, who strolled away at the end of the row, has spelled down the school. He is slow of speech and ungainly of carriage, and when the affair is over, he buttons his smanty coat tight around him, and trudges off alone to his home which is somewhere up there in the woods, no one knows exactly where, but you shall hear of that boy by and by. Then the tallow candles which have burned away considerably and melted away a good deal, are blown out, the house is shut up, the spavined horse is again brought into service, and the spellers are homeward bound.

And out into the snowy night that jolly old word "Lily Date." "Lily Date" is now "and so forth."

These were the boys and girls of twenty and thirty years ago. Are there still such? We are not sure, but the mania for spelling matches which is now abroad brings up a good many recollections, and has, no doubt, caused many a father and mother to prick up their ears, refresh their memories, and indulge in old-time reminiscences.

NEW YORK, according to the Herald, begins to anticipate an extraordinarily favorable season for business. Dealers who have delayed purchases on account of the bad weather, begin to throng the streets and stores of that city, and the dry goods trade, which has been very stagnant, already responds quickly to the approach of spring. Stewart has not found his business depressed as much as others because of the bad weather, but all look hopefully to the future, and are preparing for a very large trade.

A SUMMER of experiments recently made at Mankato, Minn., are not calculated to inspire confidence in cold weather as a destroyer of the insects. Pieces of frozen earth, taken from a frequented roadway near that city, have been placed near a stove, and after being kept there for some time, the young grasshoppers would be hatched out in hundreds, and would skip over the room as soon as they had broken their shells. Mayor Maxfield witnessed the experiments, and was greatly astonished at the results, and especially the number of little destroyers produced by artificial heat and in the winter season.

TELEGRAPHIC.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.
[Reported Exclusively for the Daily Republican.]

TAKING DEPOSITIONS IN THE BEECHER CASE.

The Excursion to Mexico Abandoned.

YELLOW FEVER AT SOUTHERN PORTS.

High Waters at the East.

COUNTING THE MONEYS IN THE TREASURY.

Washington Gossip.

New York, April 3.—The illness of Henry M. Cleveland has made it necessary that his testimony should be taken at his residence. The examination began yesterday afternoon at five o'clock, Mr. Cleveland reclining in bed while answering the questions, which were taken down by stenographers, and are to be written out and read in court at the conclusion of Beecher's testimony. At 6:30 recess was taken for dinner until 8 o'clock, when the examination was resumed and continued until about 9:30; the examination to be resumed in the same manner each afternoon until the testimony is concluded. The testimony is regarded as important by both sides, on account of Mr. Cleveland's confidential relations with Beecher in reference to matters at issue on the trial. It is believed he has consequent knowledge of important facts relative thereto.

The Supervisors of Brooklyn have refused extra pay to jurors in the Beecher case, and have voted down the resolution that the Supervisors endorse the bill pending at Albany providing for extra pay.

NEW YORK, April 3.—A Calcutta correspondent writing of the massacre in the Naga Hills, of the surveying party under Lieutenant Halcumb, says the heads of the slain were taken off by surveyors to prevent their being paraded in the villages of the Nagas, as the savages think as much of the scalp as the American Indians do of the scalp. The number of killed, as far as can be ascertained, is eighty; fifty-one were slightly wounded; fifty-two were unharmed. The supreme government intends sending two regiments forward at once, when the massacre will be avenged. The orders to these regiments are to exterminate, root and branch, all of the villages and villages of what are known as Sanaus and Nins, villages of the Naga Hills tribes. The savages numbered nearly two hundred, and obtained access to the camp of the surveyors under pretences of bringing presents to officers and selling provisions, etc., to the remainder of the party.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Rear Admiral Mulaney, commanding the North Atlantic station, reports that one Spanish man-of-war, lying off Savannah, has forty cases of yellow fever, and another has thirty-six cases. No cases have occurred on any of the United States steamers as yet. United States steamers Plymouth, Osage and Shawmut, anchored off Key West, have been ordered on a cruise in a more northern latitude, and other vessels of the North Atlantic station have been ordered to make Port Royal their headquarters.

The Collector of Key West telegraphs that there have been only three sporadic cases of yellow fever. No other cases, and no real cause for alarm.

The Post office Department, next week will advertise for proposals for carrying mails on all new routes established in the several different States since the general letting, and also for routes on which bidders have failed to comply with the terms of their contracts. The total number of routes for which proposals for performing mail service are invited is 363.

Ex-Senator Stewart is reported to have sold his residence here, known as Castle Stewart—one of the most extensive and showy houses at the Capital—to Senator Jones, of Nevada, and contemplates removing West again.

Senator Jones and wife sail for Europe next month, to remain until fall.

Boston, April 4.—A heavy rain-storm, with a northeast wind, has prevailed here and generally throughout New England for the past twenty-four hours. As rain is still falling, apprehensions of serious damage from a freshet seem well founded. All the rivers are rapidly rising, and should it continue another day a general break-up of the ice will occur. The results must be disastrous. The Kennebec has risen four feet during the day at Hallowell. At 6 p. m. it was even with the wharves and rapidly rising. At Lisbon Falls the bridge of the Maine Central Railroad was raised two feet by the ice jam, which rendered it impassable for trains. A large force was engaged during the day blasting away ice and repairing the bridge, and to-night it is reported safe. In Northern Maine rain commenced falling Friday night, and has continued uninterrupted since.

NEW ORLEANS, April 4.—The Senatorial excursion to Mexico has been abandoned. Advances from Washington state that the fear of yellow fever and the illness of Mrs. Morton are among the causes for a change of front which is regarded as significant. Senators Anthony, Cameron, Chandler, Dennison and Patterson, and General McVeigh and wife, sailed in the Dispatch to-day for Cedar Key; and a cruise along the Florida coast; thence to some Atlantic port. Senator Morton was detained at the St. Charles Hotel on account of the illness of Mrs. Morton, who is improving. They will probably go by rail to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The work of taking an inventory of all kinds of securities in the office of the Treasurer, and the counting of each, preparatory to the transfer of the office to Mr. New, will begin sometime the present month. The work is one of great magnitude. Friends of the last convicted murderer in the District, just sentenced to four years' imprisonment, have succeeded in delaying his departure for Albany, and are now working to obtain a pardon. The circumstances connected with the murder committed were of a most outrageous character. Governor Campbell, new Third Assistant Secretary of State, arrived this morning, and will take charge of his office at once.

MANCHESTER, N. H., April 4.—River greatly swollen and water pouring over the dam at Amoskeag Falls four feet deep. Several mills at Manchester and Lawrence will be compelled to shut down to-morrow on account of back water. At the latter place the water is seven feet deep over the top of the falls, being the highest water since the great freshet of 1869, and the river is still rising.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 4.—The ice gorge below this city gave way this afternoon and the floods at once subsided and the streets which were submerged this morning are once more free to pedestrians, but the docks are still submerged. The ice in the Mohawk passed down Saturday.

A dispatch from Concord says there is imminent danger threatening nine bridges, several of them railroad bridges between that city and Hooksett.

NEW YORK, April 4.—If rumor is to be believed, Henry M. Cleveland testified, Friday, that he was manager of the Christian Union on June 2, 1873, and that Mr. Beecher was in the office of that paper in New York between 11 and 12 o'clock that day.

THE NEW UNITED STATES TREASURER.

[Indianapolis Correspondence of the Cincinnati Gazette.]
John C. New, cashier of the First National Bank in this city, who has been appointed Treasurer of the United States, vice General Spinner, resigned, is expected home to-morrow. It is not believed here that he will accept the position. Mr. W. H. English, president of the First National Bank, stated to me this morning that the last thing Mr. New said to him as he took the train for Washington was that under no consideration would he accept the place. "He must sacrifice," said Mr. English, "from \$25,000 to \$20,000 a year by taking it."

Mr. New is forty-one years of age, and worth from \$500,000 to \$750,000. He has been cashier of the First National Bank (in which he has upwards of \$120,000 worth of stock) since 1863, prior to which time he served as County Clerk for two terms. He has been married twice, his present wife being a native of Virginia. His oldest child, a lad seventeen years of age, is at present traveling in the old world. His last letter was dated from Alexandria, in Egypt. Mr. New is a gentleman of fine natural abilities, whose close business habits have enabled him to amass a handsome fortune, and have given him a place among the foremost business men of this city and State. Should he accept the position, he would no doubt fill it to the entire satisfaction of every one.

EDMOND ABOUT says Moltke, Bismarck and William will live a long time, as they still have other fish to fry before their end arrives. Bonaparte couldn't stop after his rollicking campaign of 1796, he had to keep on with a few more battles, conquer one hundred provinces, found half a dozen kingdoms, and arm all Europe against him. The Germans, too, he says have yet to finish up their jobs and run the length of their tether before being forced to settle up. But suppose their accounts, kept with great exactness and method, be not called for in the end contrarily to the case of Napoleon? Can't one horse be of one color, and another horse of another color, O Mister About Played Out? And still he edits the "Nineteenth Century," in Paris.

A WISCONSIN paper says that Andrew Johnson is like the man who was tipped from a load of hay on a stump, hurrying his head so he could not talk. Years after, when his skull was repaired and the brain relieved from the pressure, he finished the speech he was uttering when he fell. "That, however, is not so witty as the comparison of The Boston Journal, which likened him to Munchausen's trumpet, which by a sudden change of weather became clogged up with frozen notes, and emitted no sound for a long time. Finally, being laid before a warm fire, it thawed out strain after strain of music, beginning just where it had left off years before, and blowing the notes out in the same order they had been blown in.

New Advertisements.

OPERA HOUSE!

ONE NIGHT ONLY!
THURSDAY, APRIL 8th.

FAREWELL TOUR OF LAWRENCE BARRETT!

Dramatic Company
"RICHELIEU!"

Cardinal Richelieu... Lawrence Barrett
When will be presented Balzac's great play, "RICHELIEU!"
SCALE OF PRICES:
Parquette, \$1.00
Gallery, 50c
Seats can be secured at Abbott's jewelry store, on Tuesday, April 6th, without extra charge.

AMERICAN HOUSE!

Southwest of the Court House, on the corner of Wood and Water streets.
Decatur, Illinois.
Has been Newly Painted and Newly Furnished, and is now open for Boarders by the day or week. Those wishing rooms should apply early.
J. R. VAN HOUTEN, Proprietor.
Late of Columbus, Ohio. (app-41)

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between B. B. Babcock and J. N. Martin, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
B. B. BABCOCK,
J. N. MARTIN.

DECATUR WOOLEN MILLS

JUST PLACED IN STORE FOR OUR Retail Trade, a large assortment of CASSIMERES!

Variety of Styles, all just from the looms, warranted All-Wool and Fast Colors, suitable for spring, summer and fall wear. Also, a choice selection of WATER PROOFS!

We are now manufacturing a superior Article of JEANS, SATINETS! FLANNELS,

White and Colored Blankets, (All Pure Wool.) STOCKING YARNS,

Assortment of Colors. Woolen Hosiery, For Men, Women and Children, made from Yarns of our own manufacture.

We will also pay the Highest Market Price for WOOL

In Cash, or Exchange on Goods.
BOYD, HASKELL & CO.,
Manufacturers.
March 30, 1875—daw3m.

FOR SALE!

A TWO STORY FRAME HOUSE, on the corner of West Main and Pine streets, to be sold very low. For information inquire, at Dr. Sibley's office, or GILBERT PERRY.

Sept 11—daw4

If You Want CHOICE GROCERIES

CALL ON—HENRY LYON

No. 28 Merchant St., Where you will always find a stock of Staple and Fancy GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS!

Which will be sold at prices as low as can be found anywhere.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

OF ALL KINDS Taken in Exchange for Goods.
HENRY LYON.
Decatur, March 18, 1875—daw4

"The Best Thing in the West."

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe RAILROAD.

LANDS IN KANSAS.

3,000,000 ACRES Of the best Farming and Agricultural Lands in America, situated in and near the beautiful Goldenrod and Great Arkansas valleys, the Garden of the West.

11 Years' Credit, with 7 per cent Interest and 20 per cent Discount for Improvements.

Fare Refunded To purchasers of land.

See Circulars, with map, giving full information, sent free. Address: A. S. JOHNSON, Acting Land Com., Topeka, Kan. Jan. 7, 1875—w3m.

SPECIALTIES.
HAYS & BRUCE

SEE OUR NEW SPRING PRINTS.
SEE OUR NEW SPRING CHINTZ, at 15c
SEE OUR NEW RUCHES, at 5c.

SEE OUR ELEGANT EMBROIDERIES, (Beautiful patterns and very cheap.)
See the Inducements we are offering

—IN—
TABLE LINENS, TOWELS, NAPKINS, CRASHES &c., &c., &c.

We bought largely, in January, of Bleached and Brown Sheetings and Shirtings, Tickings, Denims, Ducks, Checks, Chevots, &c. The goods are in, and we will GIVE YOU THE BENEFIT OF JANUARY PRICES ON THEM

We have another Case of the same BLACK ALPACAS and MOHAIRS—the BEST GOODS THAT WERE EVER IN THE CITY FOR THE PRICE. Do not fail to see them.

We will take pleasure in showing you.

HAYS & BRUCE.

March 16, 1875—daw4.

NEW SPRING GOODS

S. EINSTEIN

Has returned with new SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS,

Of the very latest styles. He has taken especial pains in selecting his stock of Spring Goods, consisting of

DRESS GOODS, BLACK ALPACAS, PLAIN AND COLORED SILKS, (All shades.)

—New shade of—
LUSTERS!

Also, a full line of TRIMMING SILKS.

Our stock of WHITE GOODS, MARSEILLES, PERCALES, cannot be surpassed in any market. We also have a full line of Notions; latest styles of Ladies' and Gents' TIES, RUCHES, RIBBONS, in plaid, plain and embroidered.

A complete line of HOSIERY for Ladies and Gents.
A full line of CORSETS, from 50c up.

He invites all to call and examine his Stock. He will offer extra inducements for the next Thirty Days, in all Departments. By calling, you will see he is determined not to be undersold.

DON'T FORGET THE PLACE
No. 21 NORTH WATER STREET.
March 29, 1875—daw4.

KEYSTONE CARRIAGE WORKS!

WAYNE BROTHERS,

CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, OMNIBUSES, PEDDLING AND SPRING WAGONS.

OLD STAND OF DANIEL GAHMAN, Corner Water and Cerro Gordo-Sts.

PLATFORM CARRIAGES built to order, PONY PLATFORMS, PRINCE ALBERTS, PIANOS AND COAL BOX BUGGIES, SULKY AND LIGHT ROAD WAGONS, of all kinds. Always up to the times, and guarantee all work to be first-class. All kinds of Sleighs Made to Order!

FANCY PAINTING A SPECIALTY.

November 17, 1873 daw4m

SPECIAL.

A. A. COOPER

—IS OFFERING—
New Spring Goods!

VERY CHEAP.

His stock of Bleached and Brown Sheetings and Shirtings, Prints, Table Linens, (Black, Damask and Napkins to match) Crashes, Tickings, Denims, Ducks, Drills, Shirtings, Checks and Chevots, Gingham, and Dress Goods of all kinds.

LOOK AT OUR SIXTY CENT FRENCH CORSET!

A FULL LINE OF ALL KINDS OF NOTIONS.

THE motto of this house is—THE LOWEST PRICES IN THE MARKET FOR QUALITY. Call and see. If this is not true.

NO. 24 MERCHANT STREET
March 11, 1875—d3m wtf

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We would be much obliged to subscribers would inform the carrier at particular places they desire their paper to be left.

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are authorized to announce FORNEY as a candidate for Supervisor at the coming town election.

We are authorized to announce FRANK as a candidate for Comm. Highway.

We are authorized to announce SHAW as a candidate for Comm. Highway.

We are authorized to announce HUMMEL as a candidate for re to the office of Assistant Survey.

We are authorized to announce ALBERT as a candidate for Town Assessor.

We are authorized to announce HUGHES as a candidate for Town Clerk.

We are authorized to announce GOODYEAR as a candidate for re to the office of Town Clerk.

We are authorized to announce SPANGLER as a candidate for re to the office of Supervisor at the April election.

We are authorized to announce HUNTER as a candidate for re-election to the office of Supervisor at the coming town election.

We are authorized to announce H. H. H. as a candidate for re-election to the office of Supervisor at the coming town election.

CITY DEPARTMENT

Go to Imboden & Co. lettuce and radishes.

Frank Wood is having a South Main street restaurant.

Garden-making is the order of the day.

Choice peachblow potato deinyer's.

Mr. John Shurtel is a big fish. His wife has presented him pounder. It's a boy.

Superb pictures and fine Davis & Co's.

Regular monthly meeting of the city council this evening.

Remember the grand Powers' Hall this evening the dance of the season.

Water pipes up to be corner of Edward and Main the residence of E. R. H. one block south.

For genuine "Five Br tobacco go to Kepler's."

Yesterday the weather and mild, and the church well attended.

Order the St. Nicholas depot.

The festive frog has aw the torpid state in which resting through the winter, ing free serenades.

Fresh oranges and lemon cell & Hammer's.

Greenwood Cemetery a place of resort for scores yesterday.

The street corner giving nobly for a vigorous spr. They sweat they will hold store boxes in town or tempt.

Choice maple sugar, Milligan's.

Capt. Wadams' pair of rats are some on catching days ago one of these little cecided in hunting up and every two minutes.

If you want Shade T greens, fresh dug, order of H.

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The days of house cle at hand, and women are air of independence becoo portent event, and men themselves for a week of and any number of curtain.

A full line of chamb kitchen furniture, at boy.

The river has recede within its banks. Large ter have been left, in w myrads of small fishes. These ponds are the fa holes" with all small boy.

A full supply of f eggs, at D. M. Barnett & Co.

The Decatur Steam nina in full blast, and w down press daily. Sixty are employed in the d ments, and one woman glossing shirts so as to up urns of bang new has a larger run of cu than it is ever had.

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The Daily Republican.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.
Monday Evening, April 8.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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We are authorized to announce GEORGE HENK as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways.
We are authorized to announce HENRY HUMMEL as a candidate for re-election to the office of Assistant Supervisor.

We are authorized to announce T. B. ALBERT as a candidate for Town Clerk.
We are authorized to announce EDWARD HURDIS as a candidate for the office of Town Clerk.
We are authorized to announce GEORGE GOODMAN as a candidate for re-election to the office of Town Clerk.

We are authorized to announce FRED. J. SMITH as a candidate for re-election to the office of Town Assessor.
We are authorized to announce JACOB SPANGLER as a candidate for re-election to the office of Supervisor at the coming April election.

We are authorized to announce JOSHUA SPRINZ as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.
We are authorized to announce E. H. BROWN.

We are authorized to announce EUGEN G. TUCKER as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

Go to Imboden & Co.'s for fresh lettuce and radishes.

Frank Wood is having his dwelling on South Main street repainted.

Garden-making is the order of the day.

Choice peachblow potatoes, at Niedermeyer's.

Mr. John Starnel is a happy man—His wife has presented him with a 24 pounder. It's a boy.

Superb pictures and frames, at I. J. Davis & Co.'s.

Regular monthly meeting of the city council this evening.

Remember the grand dress ball at Powers' Hall this evening. It is to be the dance of the season.

Water pipes are to be laid from the corner of Edward and Macon streets to the residence of E. R. Eldridge, Esq., one block south.

For genuine "Five Brothers" plug tobacco go to Keplers.

Yesterday the weather was warm and mild, and the churches were all well attended.

Order the St. Nicholas bus for the depot.

The festive frog has awakened from the torpid state in which he has been resting through the winter, and is giving fine serenades.

Fresh oranges and lemons, at Newell & Hammer's.

Greenwood Cemetery was a favorite place of resort for scores of our people yesterday.

The street corner guards are rallying nobly for a vigorous spring campaign. They swear they will hold down all the store-boxes in town or perish in the attempt.

Choice maple sugar, at Lewis & Milligan's.

Capt. Wadams' pair of English hounds are some on catching rats. A few days ago one of these little animals succeeded in hunting up and killing a rat every two minutes.

If you want Shado Trees and Evergreens, fresh dug, order of

H. W. DAVIS, Decatur, Ill.

The days of house-cleaning are near at hand, and women are assuming an air of independence becoming the important event, and men are preparing themselves for a week of scanty dinners and any number of curtain lectures.

A full line of chamber, parlor and kitchen furniture, at Hoy & Bishop's.

The river has receded, and is again within its banks. Large lagoons of water have been left, in which there are myriads of small fishes of all kinds—These ponds are the favorite "fishing holes" with all small boys.

A full supply of fresh butter and eggs, at D. M. Barnett & Co.'s.

The Decatur Steam Laundry is running in full blast, and washing about 12 dozen pieces daily. Six men and women are employed in the different departments, and one woman is kept busy at glossing shirts, so as to give them the appearance of being new. The laundry has a larger run of custom at present than it has ever had.

A party who was looking at a house in the first ward the other day said that he could not afford to pay so much rent.

"Well, look at the neighborhood," replied the woman. "You can borrow flat-irons next door, coffee and tea across the street, flour and sugar on the corner, and there's a big pile of wood right across the alley!"

Sunday in Town.—Yesterday the weather was fine enough to suit the most fastidious—neither too hot nor too cold for an April day. In the morning church-goers donned their "Sunday best" and appeared in their respective places of worship. The churches were well filled, and services were of an interesting character. At the First M. E. Church the pulpit was filled by Rev. Mr. Carroll, of Macon, who preached most to the acceptance of the congregation.

At the Christian Church Elder Lucas preached morning and evening, with his usual earnestness.

In the afternoon a large number of people were out walking, but on account of the rough condition of the roads but few ventured upon the luxury of buggy-riding. A large number visited the cemetery, and others went to the groves adjacent to the city.

The Sunday Schools were all fully attended, some meeting at 9 o'clock, A. M., and others at 2 P. M.

So far as we observed or learned good order prevailed, and perhaps a more quiet and pleasant Sabbath has seldom been experienced by our people.

Christian Church.—Preaching at the Christian Church this evening by Elder Lucas. Subject, "Heaven and Hell."

Decatur Gas Light and Coke Co.—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of said company will be held at their office, southeast corner of East Main and Water streets, on Thursday next, the 8th day of April, 1875, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., for the purpose of electing nine directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them.

F. N. EWING, Pres't.

J. K. WARREN, Sec'y.
April 8, 1875-d4d

Winter Wheat.—We learn from farmers from some parts of Whitmore township, that wheat shows considerable damage from winter killing. From other parts of the county we learn that it is but little damaged, if at all; so that we presume from what we can gather from all sources, that so far as damage from freezing is concerned, there will be an average growth. Of course there are other hazards through which wheat must pass in reaching maturity, which may prove fatal to the crop.

Lawrence Barrett.—Our people will bear in mind that Lawrence Barrett makes no extra charge for reserved seats on Thursday evening, \$1.00 being the price of admission to the lower part of the house, and 50 cents to the gallery.

At these prices every seat in the Opera House, above and below, should be occupied.

Cooper is selling a good Kid Glove for 75 cents; two Button Kids for \$1.00; Nappkins for \$1.00 per dozen; Linen Handkerchiefs for five cents; Bolts, ten cents; a good Striped Shawl for \$1.25; Corsets, 45 cents; Towels, ten cents; Neckties, 25 cents; Ladies' Spring Skirts, 75 cents; Ladies' Cotton Hose for 45 cents; gentlemen for 10 cents; Pans, Parasols, Bugle Glimps, Yack Lace, Guipure Lace, and all kinds of goods in the same proportion.

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To be Settled.—The question whether or not coal can be found in Decatur or its vicinity is bound to be thoroughly tested by Mr. Boring, who is boring in the northeast part of the city. The trial will not be abandoned until the boring has proceeded to a depth below which a mine could not be worked with profit. The fact that thin veins of coal have already been reached and passed through, would seem to indicate that deeper down a thick and paying vein may be found. We most sincerely hope that Mr. Boring's perseverance may be rewarded by the development of a rich and lucrative mine.

Spelling Match.—The third spelling match at the Presbyterian Church will take place to-morrow evening. Mr. I. E. Brown, of the high school, will act as pedagogue, and the book used will be Sherwood's Speller and Pronouncer, the lesson beginning where the last one closed, at the word "ferule." The names of the captains will be announced to-morrow.

A New Name.—The old Pennsylvania House has been newly painted, inside and out, and otherwise renovated and improved, and is now open to receive permanent or transient boarders. It is now the American House, and is in charge of B. R. Van Houten, who proposes to keep a first-class boarding-house in every respect.

A Plea for the Reading Room.—Although not a member of the Public Reading Room Society, we have watched with great interest the result of the undertaking, and are gratified at the success attending it. It supplies a want long felt and acknowledged by all. Our best citizens have put a shoulder to the wheel. Let the people manifest their appreciation of the work done, and their interest in the young people of our city by attending the annual meeting to-morrow evening. There is no sense in sitting at home and railing at the "traps" set to catch our young men, but go to work and set "traps" also, if we have at heart the welfare of society and the state.

ONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN THE BOYS.

The ball to be given by Prof. Moll's class in dancing to-morrow evening is to be a grand success.

Judge Gallagher is putting in a new bay window in the south side of his residence on North Water street.

Pike, the Jeweler, keeps the best Spectacles in the city, and sells them at a reasonable price.

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FIREMEN'S MEETING.

Nominations for Chief Engineer and First and Second Assistants.
A general meeting of all the members of the fire department was held at their headquarters, on West Main street, on Saturday night. A large crowd was present, and at a little after 8 o'clock P. M. Provost was chosen chairman, and H. P. Christie secretary, and the meeting opened in due form.

THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION was the first subject spoken of. Many members made speeches, stating the object of the organization. Nearly all the firemen present became members of the association on that evening by the payment of one dollar. It is understood that in case of the death of any member there will be an assessment of \$1 per capita to defray the funeral expenses. If any member is disabled an assessment of ten cents per capita is made, and the amount given to him to be disposed of as he thinks best. It is, therefore, to the advantage of every fireman to belong to this association. This society was organized shortly after the Hose Companies were formed, and has accomplished much good in the past, as it doubtless will do in the future.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS were next in order, and, on motion, an informal ballot for Chief Engineer was taken, which resulted in an overwhelming majority for H. P. Christie. This gentleman was then named as the choice of the department for the office of Chief Engineer. P. B. Provost was chosen as 1st assistant. Several of the prominent firemen were nominated for 2d assistant, but at length Wm. Dodson and Captain Mason were the only candidates, and, upon the latter gentleman's declining, Dodson was elected by acclamation.

After appointing a committee to take the nominations to the City Council this evening for confirmation, the meeting adjourned.

Schuyler Colfax.—The visit of this eminent orator and statesman to our city will be an event of unusual interest to our people. The low price of admission (50 cents) to all parts of the house, will bring the lecture within the reach of all, and we apprehend that few of our citizens will be willing to forego the pleasure of seeing and hearing an orator of so wide renown as is Mr. Colfax. Tuesday, the 13th inst., is the date of the lecture.

Justice's Report.—During the month of March Squire Hughes tried and disposed of 57 civil cases. His police docket for the past month shows 15 new cases. Ninety-one dollars in fines have been assessed, of which the Justice has been able to collect \$31.90. This shows that the people have been more orderly during the past month than the month preceding, as there was almost double the number of cases tried in February than in last month.

The Richelieu of Lawrence Barrett is grander intensified, powerful and effective beyond description. Secured seats without extra charge at Abbott's.

Kansas Sufferers.—A letter from Howard county, Kansas, over the signature of J. F. Chapman, makes some severe strictures upon a letter published in our issue of March 11th, and claims that the representations given in that letter of the condition of people in Kansas, does them great injustice. Mr. Chapman writes under date of March 20th, and says that in his township there are ninety families with not more than ten days provisions on hand. Many families of children are entirely without shoes, and nearly naked. Many people are subsisting on parched corn that they have gleaned from fields and gathered up about warehouses. That the condition of the people is bad enough there can be no doubt, and that there is a great deal of suffering among them is unquestionably true.

Bishop Lawns, Victoria Lawns, striped and plain; Swiss Piques; striped and plain Jackonets; Bobinet, Brussels, Illusion, Hamburg Edge, Lian Lawns, Irish Linens, &c., at prices to defy competition, at A. A. Cooper's.

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The Question Answered.—"How Linn & Scruggs employ so many salesmen and sell goods cheap." They keep the largest stock of dry goods in Decatur—they retail more goods than any other Dry Goods House in the United States, according to population, and their expenses are less in proportion to sales. Besides they are thus enabled to buy most of their goods of first hands and by the case and package, which gives them great advantage over small dealers.

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A New Agency.—Mr. Edward C. Basy has the agency for the celebrated VICTOR SEWING MACHINE, which is acknowledged to be the best in the market; and also for the "Novelty" Door Plate, which is the cheapest and best in use. He also represents the Hamburg line of steamships, which in the matter of safety and dispatch are known to be equal to any that cross the ocean. Mr. Basy has his office at Elman's Clothing Store, on East Main street, where samples of machines and door plates may be seen. Prompt attention will be given to all orders in either line of business indicated above.

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Lost, while on my way home with a basket of clothes, a lady's Dress Skirt. The finder will confer a favor by returning it to me, on East Eldorado street.

CATHERINE O'BRIEN.

All Sorts of Fruit Trees at the Davis Nurseries.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. W. T. Stamper left for the East on the Midland road this morning.
Mr. G. F. Zeiss, and Mr. Chant, his partner, leave to-day for New York, whither they go to purchase goods for their new store on Merchant street. They will be gone about ten days, and will open immediately upon their return.

Among the guests registered at the St. Nicholas hotel yesterday are the following:
J. W. Eldridge, New York; Joseph Fry, Macon, Ill.; R. L. O'pwan, Evansville, Ind.; J. W. Madison, Rochester, N. Y.; F. H. Wilson, Cincinnati; Byron Barrett, do; J. W. Charlton, St. Louis; T. D. Olin, Indianapolis; H. M. Taggart, county; H. G. Marvin, Cincinnati; Theo. Helarik, Philadelphia; F. C. Rowell, Indianapolis; A. J. Washburn, Baltimore; J. Albert, Macon; J. M. Josias, New York; J. H. Woodward and wife, city; J. S. Wayne, Quincy.

Black Alpaca, Mohair, Brilliantine, Henrietta Cloth, Australian Crepe Silks, and all grades of Black Goods are to be found and offered very cheap, at 5-d3w

Champion Medal.—The Decatur Shooting Club has procured a gold medal, to be worn by the champion "shooter," which cost \$31. It is of pure gold, and is about the size of a Mexican silver dollar. The design of the medal was gotten up by Harry Pike, and is beautifully appropriate. It is held at present by Mr. E. Pitts, and will be retained by him until some other member of the club makes a better shot than he can make.

Our Daily Food.—Adulteration prevails most extensively where it could be most oppressively and difficult for its victims to endure, that is, in our daily food. Food is a most important necessity, and it should be wholesome and nutritious, as nature formed it, without any detrimental additions. If all articles that are used in our daily food are as pure and healthful as Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder and his True Flavoring Extracts we should escape many of the ills of life. The manufacturers of these preparations believe in giving the public reliable articles.

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Mules for Sale.—Any persons wishing to buy nice three and four years old mules, will consult their interest by calling at the Livery Stable of Caldwell Brothers, on West Main street, Decatur.

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In passing along the south side of East Main street, near the Old Square, one's attention is arrested by the fine display of boots and shoes in the show window of V. Barber & Co., but, as fine as the display is, it is only an index to what may be found upon entering the well-stocked store. Here persons may supply themselves with anything they may wish in the line of boots, shoes and slippers, which will be shown them by the accommodating proprietors and courteous clerks.

Apron Fair.—The Women's Foreign Missionary Society will hold its annual meeting for the election of officers in the lecture-room of the First M. E. Church, on Thursday, April 8th, at 7 P. M.

After brief exercises suited to the occasion, consisting of select readings, songs, etc., there will occur an Apron Fair and General Sociable, and possibly a spelling match. The public are invited.

[3d1w BY ORDER OF THE SOCIETY.

We have a fine top buggy which we will exchange for a horse or a pair of horses.

J. LEFORSER & BRO.

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The Heart is a Wonderful Pump, the valves of which open and shut seventy or eighty times per minute. If an alcoholic stimulant be taken into the blood the pump works much faster, and this unnatural speed wears out the vital machinery. All the intoxicating nostrums advertised as "tonics," "renovators," "correctives," &c., produce this disastrous effect, and hence all intelligent Christians are thankful that Dr. WALKER'S VEGETABLE VINEGAR BITTERS—an invigorant and alterative without a sting—is everywhere supplanting these proprietary poisons.

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New Styles.—We are in receipt of several new and "nobby" styles of visiting cards, which we are prepared to print for such as may desire them.

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THE "HOUSEKEEPER" OF OUR HEALTH.

The liver is the great purgating or blood cleansing organ of the system. Set the great housekeeper of our health at work, and the foul corruptions which gender in the blood and rot out, as it were, the machinery of life, are gradually expelled from the system. For this purpose Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, with small daily doses of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets, are pre-eminent the articles needed. They cure every kind of humor from the worst scurf to the common pimple, blotch or eruption. Great eating ulcers kindly heal under their mighty curative influence. Virulent blood poisons that lurk in the system are by them robbed of their terrors, and by their persevering and somewhat protracted use the most tainted system may be completely renovated and built up anew. Enlarged glands, tumors and swellings dwindle away and disappear under the influence of their great resolvents. Sold by all dealers in medicines.

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GRAND BAIL.

The Last of the Season—At Rogers' Hall, Monday, April 6th, 1875.
MANAGERS.
J. De Eratas, James Durfee, George Kraft, Jack McWhinney, F. W. Wisner, Bert Oakes.
The managers will spare no pains to make this the grandest success of the season. Music will be furnished by Ebert's full quadrille band.

All Ready.—Immense stock of boots and shoes, just received by Powers, Ferriss & Co., for spring trade—all good goods. All ready now to show the latest styles—stock all in—biggest variety we ever had.

A Card.—We wish to say to the public that we keep constantly on hand a full supply and great variety of Tussess, Bandages, Supporters, &c., &c. We have the Jones Radical Cure Truss, Common Spine Truss, Regular Army Ivory Pad Truss, &c., &c.

CHEWORTH, WALSTON & CO.
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Garden Seeds.—Just received, a large stock of Landreth's warranted Garden Seeds; also, a general assortment of Flower Seeds and Gardening tools.

Geo. S. DUNFEE & BRO., m22-d3m 16 East Main street.

Pike, the Jeweler, is agent for the sale of the best brands of American watches.

Bible Meeting.—There will be a business meeting of the Macon County Bible Society, held at the office of C. C. McComas, Esq., on Thursday, the 8th inst. All ministers in the city and the directors are hereby notified to be present, as business of importance will come before the meeting.

J. R. GOMIN, Pres't.

Cheap Boots and Shoes.—C. Hedrick, outside of Central block, will hereafter make to order, fine calf sewed boots for \$10, and pegged for \$7.50. He also makes a nice boy's shoe at a very low figure, and all descriptions of ladies' and misses' shoes. He will not be undersold on custom work, and cannot be beaten in quality of work.

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THE RUSH TO KANSAS AND COLORADO.

The indications are that the rush to Kansas and Colorado will be greater than ever in 1875. The shortest way to reach the Far West is through St. Louis, the great Mississippi Valley City, of over 400,000 inhabitants, and thence west over the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Short Line, which reaches all the great land grants in the West, and runs all the express trains, two more than any other road between the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers.

The line extended over two million dollars, besides earnings, in extraordinary improvement of roadway, in relaying its line with best quality of new steel and iron rails, on broad, new ties, and in passenger equipment, having substituted for ordinary cars new rolling chair coaches, with every appliance for comfort and safety, being elegantly carpeted and fitted with dressing rooms, with toilet conveniences for ladies, and families traveling with children, free of any extra charge. Any tickets agent selling through tickets to the West will furnish tickets by this excellent route through St. Louis, and Omaha. For maps, routes and time-tables address either P. A. Palmer, Indianapolis, Ind.; or P. B. Groat, St. Louis, Mo., either of whom will furnish any information desired.

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RETAIL MARKET.

Nearly all early vegetables have been received here and are for sale by our grocery dealers. About all the vegetables now on sale were raised in Northern Alabama, and shipped via St. Louis to this city. A corrected report of the prices now asked by our grocery men will be found below:

Tomatoes, per dozen	10
Spinach, per bunch	5
Beets, per bunch	5
Turnips, per peck	20
Onions, per bushel	50
Chickens, per dozen	2.50
Beans, per bushel	1.50
Parasols, per peck	50
Sweet Potatoes, per bushel	1.50
Wid Ducks, apiece	1.50
Butter, per pound	12
Butter, per peck	1.20
New Cabbage, per bushel	1.00
Carrots, per bushel	1.00
Hickory Nuts, " "	1.00
Older, per gallon	60
Vegetables, per dozen	20
Butter packed, per pound	20
" fresh	20

DECATUR MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, April 5, 1875.

WHEAT—Red, per bushel	8.30
" White	8.50
FLOUR—No. 1, per hundred	9.00
" superfine	1.50
" middling	.50
CORN MEAL—No. 1, per bushel	.50
" No. 2	.40
OATS—No. 1, per bushel	12.00
" No. 2	8.00
PLASTERED—No. 1, per bushel	1.00
" No. 2	7.00
BLUE GRASS	2.00
ROBBER GRASS	2.50
BUTTER—No. 1, per lb.	20
" No. 2	18
BACON—Sides, per hundred	10.00
" Shoulders, per hundred	8.00
HOOGS—Live, per hundred	4.00
" Dead, per hundred	3.50
CHEESE—No. 1, per lb.	3.00
" No. 2	2.50
POTATOES—No. 1, per bushel	1.00
" No. 2	.80
PEACHES—No. 1, per bushel	1.00
" No. 2	.80
WOL—Unwashed, per lb.	2.00
" Heavy fine	2.50
" Heavy choice	3.00
" Heavy heavy	3.50
" Heavy interior	4.00
HIDES—No. 1, per lb.	.75
" Salted	.40
" Dry	.30
SHEEP—No. 1, per lb.	.40
" No. 2	.35
FRATHERS—Prime, No. 1	.50
Common, No. 2	.40
TALLOW—No. 1, per lb.	.10
" No. 2	.08

JANUARY 2d, 1875.

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Linn & Scruggs

WILL CLOSE OUT THEIR

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I. J. DAVIS & CO.,
BOOKSELLERS & STATIONERS.
Keep a complete line of School Books, Miscellaneous Books, Blank Books, Albums, Chromos, Pictures, Picture Frames, Pocket-books, Calendars, &c., &c.

GIVE THEM A CALL!
First door west of Millikin & Co.'s Bank

N. B.—Special attention given to the News Department. All newspapers and periodicals delivered and mailed promptly. News-papers furnished at subscription rates.
No. 9 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.
September 5, 1874—d4w3m

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE citizens, legal voters of the town of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, that the annual Town Meeting of said town will be held at the Court House, in said town, on

Tuesday, the 6th day of April next, being the first Tuesday in said month, for the purposes following, viz:—

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